

1. Compute the Reynolds number for a 50mm id pipe carrying water at a rate of 0.05 m<sup>3</sup> per second.

$$Re = \frac{\dot{m}}{A} \cdot \frac{d}{\mu} = 50 / 1.963(-3) \cdot 0.050 / 9.07(-5) = 14,038,000$$

2. Compute the Reynolds number for a 500mm id duct carrying CO<sub>2</sub> at a speed of 20 metres per second, at 900K and 4MPa.

$$\rho = 44.01 \cdot 4e6 / (8314 \cdot 900) = 23.527 \text{ kg/m}^3, \mu = 38.6(-6),$$

$$\text{so } Re = 23.527 \cdot 20 \cdot 0.5 / 38.6(-6) = 6.09e6$$

3. What is meant by 'friction factor'?

4. What is the pressure drop

(i) A 25mm id pipe, 100m long, carrying water at a rate of 3m<sup>3</sup> per hour?

Reynold's number

$$Re = \frac{\rho u d}{\mu} = \frac{\frac{\dot{m}}{A} d}{\mu} = \frac{\rho \dot{V} d}{A \mu}$$

$$Re = \frac{1000 \times 3 \times 0.025 \times 4}{3600 \times (\pi \times 0.025^2) \times 0.907 \times 10^{-4}} = 4.68 \times 10^5$$

So from the Moody chart (smooth pipe)

$$f = 0.016$$

$$f = \frac{2 \left( \frac{\Delta p}{L} \right) d}{\rho u^2} = 0.016$$

$$\frac{\Delta p}{L} = \frac{0.016 \rho u^2}{2d} = \frac{0.016 \rho \left( \frac{\dot{V}}{A} \right)^2}{2d} = \frac{0.016 \times 1000 \times (1.7)^2}{0.05} = 924.8$$

So pressure drop over 100m = 93kPa.

(ii) A smooth CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline, 0.5m id, 2km long, carrying 20m<sup>3</sup> /s of CO<sub>2</sub> at 900K, 40 bars.

Re = 6.09e6 from above, so from chart f = 0.009

$$\Delta p = f \frac{\rho u^2 L}{2d}$$

$$= 0.009 \cdot 23.527 \cdot 400 \cdot 2000 / (2 \cdot 0.5) = 169e3 \text{ Pa}$$

5. Determine the hydraulic diameter of a typical flow passage in a PWR, with pin od 0.009500, and a square pitch of 0.0126m

(0.011777m)

$$d_h = \frac{4 \left( p^2 - \frac{\pi d^2}{4} \right)}{\pi d} = \frac{4 \left( 0.0126^2 - 7.088 \times 10^{-5} \right)}{2.98 \times 10^{-2}} = \frac{4 \times 8.788 \times 10^{-5}}{2.98 \times 10^{-2}}$$

$$= 0.01179$$

6. What is the pressure drop in passing up such a channel under the following conditions: channel mass flow 0.336 kg/s, (300K water props).

$$A_f = 8.788 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$Re = \frac{\dot{m} d_e}{\mu} = \frac{0.336}{8.788 \times 10^{-5}} \times 0.0118 = 0.497 \times 10^6$$

$$f \equiv \frac{2 \left( \frac{\Delta p}{L} \right) d_e}{\rho u^2} = 0.013$$

$$\frac{\Delta p}{L} = \frac{\rho u^2 f}{2 d_e} = \frac{\rho^2 u^2 f}{2 \rho d_e} = \frac{\left( \frac{\dot{m}}{A} \right)^2 f}{2 \rho d_e} = \frac{\left( \frac{0.336}{8.788 \times 10^{-5}} \right)^2 \times 0.013}{2 \times 1000 \times 0.0118} = 8.05 \times 10^3$$

7. Determine the hydraulic diameter of the AGR coolant passage defined below.

Channel id = 0.1900 m

Clad od = 0.01525 m

36 pins in cross section.

(0.03752m)

8. Compute the frictional pressure drop in the AGR passage above, under the following conditions:

Friction factor 4 times that for a smooth tube

Passage flow rate 13.36 kg/s

Mean temperature in channel 750K

(Re 8.0203e+05, friction factor 0.0121, frictional pressure drop 7.2918+04 Pa)